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STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS OF CANDIDATES

GOCO, Raul I.

(Philippines)

[Original: English]

Personal circumstances

Married with five children
Born in Manila

Education

Ateneo University (Bachelor of Laws)
Graduate and Special Studies at Far Eastern University (Manila, Philippines) and Southern Methodist University (Dallas, Texas, United States of America)
1995 bar examinations (87.55 per cent)

Current government post

Solicitor General of the Republic of the Philippines
(appointed by President Fidel V. Ramos on 6 August 1992)

Professional data

Trial Attorney, Department of Justice (1957-1961)
Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor General (1961-1971)
General Counsel and Senior Vice President, Land Bank of the Philippines (1977-1983)
Dean, College of Law, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila (PLM) or University of the City of Manila (1989-1993)
Member, Board of Regents, PLM (1993)
Admitted to the New York Bar (1987)
Senior partner - Goco, Bilog, Bueno, Arias Law Offices

Affiliations

President, World Jurist Association based in Washington, D.C.
Former President, World Association of Lawyers
Former President, Law Association for Asia (LAWASIA) and currently member of the Governing Council (LAWASIA is based in Perth, Australia)
Former Charter Governor and Vice-President of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP)
President, Philippine-British Society
Director, Fellows of Asia Foundation
Former Director, Philippino Bar Association
Former Director, Rotary Club of Manila
Former Director, Philippine Columbian Association

Other professional activities/accomplishments

Bar Examiner on Labour and Social Legislation
Contributed article (published) on human rights, bar associations, land reform
Lecturer/Professor of Laws
Speaker at international law conferences
Fellowships/scholarships from Fullbright, Asia Foundation, National Economic Development Authority (NEDA)-AID and Academy of American and International Law
Official guest of Governments of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Australia, Israel, Taiwan Province of China, New Zealand and Thailand
Nominated in 1988 and 1990 by the Judicial and Bar Council for the position of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court
Recipient of the 1991 World Most Outstanding Lawyer Award
World Jurist Association (Barcelona, Spain)
1992 Outstanding Manilan (Law), Araw ng Maynila (Day of Manila) Awardee
Nominated and elected one of the seven most distinguished lawyers in the Asian region (LAWASIA)
Included in Who's Who in the World, A. Marquis Who's Who Publication, p. 117, 1993, 1994 edition

KABATSI, Peter C. R.

(Uganda)

[Original: English]

Date of birth: 11 September 1948

Place of birth: Kisoro, Uganda

Marital status: Married with children

Qualifications

1. LL.B. (Hons), Makerere University
2. D.LP., Law Development Centre
3. C.H.R. - Human Rights (Strasbourg, France)
4. Advocate, Uganda
5. Attorney and notary (southern Africa, Maseru, Lesotho)

Professional appointments and experience

1. Permanent Secretary/Solicitor General, Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs - 1990 to date
2. Member, United Nations International Law Commission since 1992 and its Rapporteur General (1994/95 period)
3. Member, Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague
4. Director of Public Prosecutions, 1986-1990
5. Attorney and notary, Maseru, 1985-1986
6. Principal Crown Counsel (Prosecutions), Maseru, 1981-1984
7. Acting Principal State Attorney, Uganda, 1978-1981
8. Senior State Attorney, Uganda, 1976-1978
9. State Attorney, Uganda, 1976-1976

Other appointments

1. Member, Atomic Energy Control Board, Uganda
2. Board member, Uganda Development Corporation

3. Board member, Coffee Marketing Board

4. Member, Privatization, Divestiture and Reform of Public Enterprises Committee, Uganda

5. Alternate member, Judicial Service Commission

6. Member, Presidential Committee on Return of Assets to Restored Kingdoms, Uganda

7. Trustee, Mugahinga/Bwindi Mountain Gorilla Trust

8. Chairman, Luwero Emergency and Relief Fund Investigation Committee

9. Member, Terms and Conditions of Service Commission for Public and Political Leaders, Uganda

10. Member, Committee of Experts of Job Evaluation for all Public Offices, Uganda

11. Member, team of experts who drafted the African Convention on the Prohibition of Transboundary Movement of Toxic Wastes and Hazardous Substances (Bamako Convention)

12. Former board member, East African Steel Corporation (until 1981)

13. Former Chairman, Uganda Tea Authority Commission, 1978

Represented Uganda in numerous national and international negotiations, arbitrations, conferences and other forums

KUSUMA-ATMADJA, Mochtar

(Indonesia)

[Original: English]

Born in Jakarta on 17 February 1929

Education

Yale University, Law School (L.L.M. 1955)

University of Indonesia (1955)

Harvard Law School (Special student, 1964-1965)

University of Chicago, Law School, Trade and Development Research Fellowship (1965-1966)

Awards

Among the honours and awards received should be mentioned the awards from the Institute of International Humanitarian Law, San Remo, Italy, 1986

Publications

1. Extent of territorial sea at the United Nations Law of the Sea Conference at Geneva in 1958 and 1960, Bandung, 1962 (Indonesian)

2. Geneva Convention 1949 on the Protection of War Victims, Bandung, 1963 (Indonesian)

3. "Business Law Report", Survey on Indonesian Law, Padjadjaran Law School, 1973 (English)

4. Mining Law, Bandung, 1973 (English)

5. Introduction to International Law, 1977 (Indonesian)

Career

Started academic career at Padjadjaran University Law School in December 1957, becoming full Professor in October 1962

Engaged in private practice in Jakarta from 1970 to 1974, retiring on becoming Minister of Justice in 1974. Resumed law practice in 1988 after retiring as Minister for Foreign Affairs

Was Minister of Justice from 1974 to 1978 and Minister for Foreign Affairs from 1978 to 1988

Current member of the Supreme Advisory Council

Former member of the Board of Trustees of the International Legal Centre, New York (retired 1975)

Member of the Panel of Conciliators and Arbitrators, Centre for Settlement for International Disputes, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) (World Bank), Washington, D.C. (retired 1979). Reappointed to the Panel in 1990

Member of the Indonesian Lawyers Association (PERADIN) and Harvard Alumni Association

Member of the Editorial Board of the Ocean Development and International Law Journal, Washington, D.C. (current)

Member of the Board of Editors, Marine Policy, London (current)

Appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General as member of the Public Hearings Panel on Transnational Corporation in South Africa and Namibia (1989)

Appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General as Chairman of the Iraq-Kuwait Boundary Demarcation Commission (1991)

Elected on 14 November 1991 by the United Nations General Assembly as a member of the International Law Commission for the period 1991-1996

Articles published

Among the many articles published are the following:

1. "National Sovereignty over Natural Resources", Ocean Yearbook of International Law, Chicago, University Press, 1991

2. "Contribution of new States to the Development of International Law", Santa Clara Law Review, 1992

3. "Legal and Institutional Aspects of Coastal Zone Management", Marine Policy, January 1996

SINGINI, Elton Mawina

(Malawi)

[Original: English]

Date of birth: 6 May 1949

Place of birth: Sub Chief Mkondowe, Nkhata Bay, Malawi

Marital and parental status: Married with four children

Religion: Christian (Presbetry)

Educational/professional qualifications:

LL(B) Malawi, 1975

Commonwealth legislative drafting certificates:

October 1976-March 1977, Ghana (Initial)

January-April 1984, Zimbabwe (Advanced)

Professional practice: Legal practitioner in all Courts of Malawi and reciprocal countries

Employer: Malawi Government since 28 July 1975

Positions held

A. Ministry of Justice headquarters (Attorney General's Chambers):

State Advocate, 28 July 1975 to December 1977:

Duties: Undertaking prosecution of criminal cases on behalf of the State

Government lawyer in civil cases for or against the Government

Advising government departments on all legal matters

Assistant Parliamentary Draftsman, December 1977 to December 1979:

Duties: Those of State Advocate and, in addition:

Drafting of subsidiary legislation (government regulations, rules, orders, proclamations and notices and local government by-laws)

Drafting of bills for minor principal legislation (i.e., acts of parliament)

Drafting and negotiating agreements, treaties and protocols on behalf of the State and Government

Parliamentary Draftsman, December 1979 to June 1984:

Duties: Those of a State Advocate and an Assistant Parliamentary Draftsman and, in addition:

Drafting of bills for major acts of parliament

Drafting and negotiating major bilateral and multilateral treaties, protocols and other forms of agreements

Negotiating loan agreements with bilateral and multilateral lenders

Chief Parliamentary Draftsman, June 1984 to December 1986:

Duties: Head of the Legislative Drafting, Agreements and Advisory Section of the Attorney General's Chambers with duties to:

- Perform the work in the section
- Supervise others
- Draft and settle cabinet papers and parliamentary speeches on bills for acts of parliament
- Undertake general revision of the laws of Malawi
- Report to the Attorney General through the Solicitor General

Solicitor General, 1 January 1987 to 23 August 1995:

Duties: One of the two law officers of the State (with the Attorney General)

Deputize the Attorney General as the principal legal adviser to the Government

Perform and supervise duties in all sections of the Attorney General's Chambers (i.e., criminal prosecution, civil litigation, legislative and legal drafting, agreements and legal advisory services)

Formulation of Government policies in liaison with other Ministries

Drafting and taking charge of cabinet papers and parliamentary speeches on all bills

Responsible for formulating policies pertaining to the entire Ministry of Justice

Recommending appointments to legal and judicial positions in the Government

Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee of the Malawi Law Society

Chairman of the Malawi Law Examination Committee of the Council for Legal Education

Deputy Chairman of the Council for Legal Education

Member of the Medical Council of Malawi

Member of the Road Safety Council

Designated Legal Adviser to the Army Council

Principal Adviser on all disciplinary cases of civil servants

Secretary for Justice (in addition to being Solicitor General), 17 September 1993 to 23 August 1995:

Duties: Head of the Ministry of Justice with the following departments under it:

- The Attorney General' Chambers as headquarters in Lilongwe
- The Prisons Department (since December 1993)
- The Traditional Courts Department (now merged with the judiciary since April 1994 and therefore no longer under Ministry of Justice)
- The Legal Aid Department
- The State Advocate Chambers
- The Registrar General's Department
- The Administrator General's Department

Other offices held

- Board Member, Board of Directors of Commercial Bank since April 1984 to date
- Co-opted Member, Board of Engineers, 1982-1986
- Board of Consultants and Contractors, 1980-1981

- Legal Member, Medical Council of Malawi, 1987-1995
- Chairman, Malawi Law Society Disciplinary Committee, 1987-1995
- Deputy Chairman, Malawi Council for Legal Education, 1987-1995
- Chairman, Malawi Law Examination Committee of the Council for Legal Education, 1987-1995
- Member, the Malawi Road Safety Council, 1991-1995
- Member, Government Finance and Audit Committee, 1990-1995
- Deputy Chairman, Malawi Government Committee on Human Rights and Democracy, January 1995 to date

B. The judiciary

Appointed High Court Judge with effect from 23 August 1995

C. The Law Commission

Assigned to the Malawi Law Commission (while still Judge) as Law Commissioner, a position of same grade as Justice of Appeal, with effect from 18 January 1996

Duties: A position created under the 1994 new democratic Constitution with duties to:

- Review all the laws of Malawi to bring them into conformity with the new Constitution and international law
- Review the Constitution itself
- Make recommendations on such reviews directly to Parliament
- Act independent of any person or authority

D. Human Rights Commission

One of the two principal officers (with the Ombudsman) of the Human Rights Commission, a new institution created under the new democratic Constitution of 1994 with duties to:

- Protect human rights and investigate violations
- Ensure conformity to human rights conventions and protocols
- Report to Parliament on its work

Studies and publications

"Study on Trade and Investment Laws (Malawi), 1991", sponsored by the Preferential Trade Area for Southern and Eastern Africa (PTA) (now the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)) with funding by the European Union

"Study on Cross Border Trade Barriers (Malawi), 1994", sponsored by COMESA with funding by the European Union

"Legislative Framework for Privatization of Public Enterprises in Malawi including preparation of the Public Enterprises (Privatization) Bill, 1996", January 1996, sponsored by the Government of Malawi

Major international treaties

Negotiated the PTA (now COMESA) Treaty, signed at Lusaka in December 1981, and was sole member of the Committee that drafted the chapter on audit, which was adopted as formulated

Formulated and drafted the working draft of the Memorandum of Understanding for the establishment of the Southern African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC) (now the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC)), signed at Harare in July 1981. The draft was adopted with only minor modifications

Formulated and drafted the draft treaty for the establishment of the Southern Africa Transport and Communications Conference (SATCC) adopted in 1982. The draft was adopted virtually unaltered

Formulated and drafted the regional agreement for the establishment of the Multi-country Posts and Telecommunications Training School for Malawi, Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland based at Blantyre, adopted in 1989

Formulated and drafted the treaty for establishment of the Southern Africa Center for Ivory Marking signed in 1992 between Malawi, Botswana, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe and open to other SADC countries producing ivory

Workshops/seminars/short courses attended

One-month course on contract and procurement negotiation at the International Law Institute (ILI), Washington, D.C., March-April 1983, sponsored by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Two-week course on multinationals at the University of Zimbabwe, Harare, in June 1982 sponsored by the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA)

One-week workshop on trade and investment barriers in the PTA (now COMESA) region, Lusaka, 1991, sponsored by PTA

One-week seminar on narcotic drug trafficking in Eastern and Southern Africa at Livingstone, Zambia, 1991, sponsored by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs under the United Nations Drug Control Programme (UNDCP)

One-month workshop on "The Independence of the Judiciary in the USA", November 1990, United States of America, sponsored by USAID

One-week workshop on road maintenance initiative for SADC at Pretoria in April 1995, sponsored by the World Bank

Major international conferences attended

Commonwealth Law Conference, 1983, Hong Kong

Commonwealth Law Ministers Meeting, 1986, Harare

Commonwealth Law Conference, 1986, Ocho Rios, Jamaica

United Nations General Assembly, September to December 1989, New York

Meeting of Heads of Law Enforcement Agencies (HONLEA) for Narcotic Drug Control for Africa, Cairo, May 1990 (as head of a seven-member Malawi delegation)

World Conference on Environment, Nairobi, December 1992

Commonwealth Law Ministers Conference, Mauritius, November 1993 (as head of a three-man Malawi delegation)

Professional associations

Member of the Malawi Law Society

Member of the Commonwealth Lawyers Association

Member of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Counsel (or Legislative Draftsmen Association)

Countries travelled to

West Africa	-	Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria, Togo
East Africa	-	Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania
North Africa	-	Egypt
Southern Africa	-	Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Europe	-	Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Asia	-	Hong Kong, India, Japan, Singapore, Taiwan Province of China
America	-	United States of America
The Caribbean	-	Jamaica

Leisure

Music and dancing (pop, soul and African music)

Football fan

Reading literature, newspapers and magazines

Current affairs

Club going

Watching television documentaries

Playing table tennis